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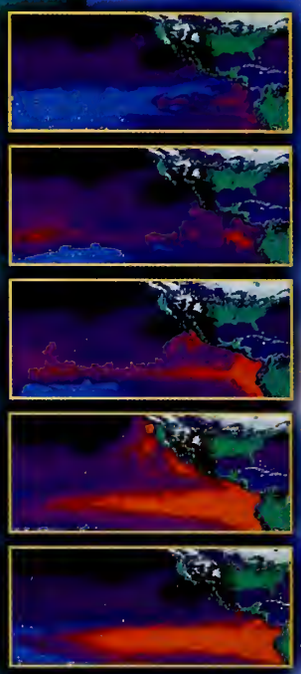
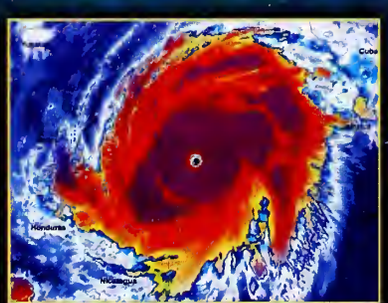


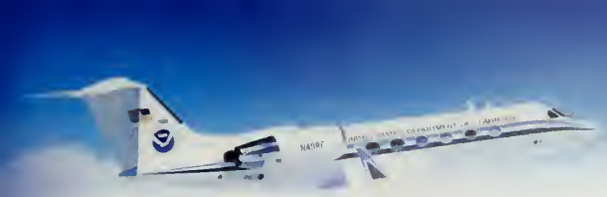
The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration - NOAA - is a scientific agency providing information and data about life on earth, our oceans, atmosphere, and the Nation's living marine resources. NOAA's programs range from marine sanctuaries, environmental satellites, global climate change, and ocean exploration initiatives to climate, weather, and water services. Electronic eyes and ears have taken NOAA from beyond Earth's orbit to deep within the oceans. This new global perspective emphasizes the fact that sustained development and continued economic well-being are ultimately linked to healthy ecosystems and a healthy environment. NOAA is an integral part of these national and international issues.

NOAA's workforce is dedicated and committed to carrying out a unique and vital mission *. . . to describe and predict changes in the Earth's environment, and to conserve and wisely manage the Nation's coastal resources.*

- Unlocking secrets in the deep oceans
- Tracking rapidly moving storms
- Operating the Nation's environmental satellite systems
- Charting the Nation's waterways
- Formulating models for forecasting long-term climate trends
- Protecting and preserving our Nation's living marine resources



Are you up to NOAA's challenge?



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YOUR CAREER AT NOAA

Your career with NOAA could launch you all over the world, from the warm waters of the Caribbean to the winter wonders of the South Pole. The challenges are endless. Employment in NOAA is a job with a mission. At NOAA, safeguarding the public, protecting natural resources, strengthening the economy . . . it's all in a day's work. Imagine yourself:

- Forecasting where a hurricane will strike the coast and being responsible for saving hundreds of lives due to early warnings of tornadoes
- Using satellites to monitor global weather systems to make long-term climate predictions
- Impacting business decisions and millions of dollars as a result of your data
- Researching coastal environments to promote healthy ecosystems
- Creating and enforcing policies that encourage sustainable fisheries for the future
- Charting coastal areas and developing navigational data in order to protect ships from potential accidents
- Serving as a uniformed officer of the NOAA Corps and commanding a NOAA ship or piloting a NOAA aircraft

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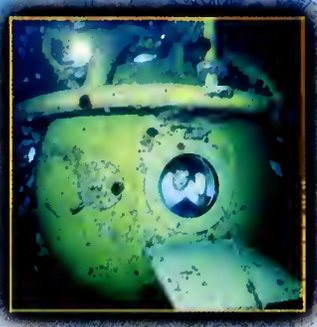


"Working at the Hurricane Research Division (HRD) has been a unique and rewarding experience. At HRD, I have been able to closely interact with top university and government scientists on cutting edge hurricane research. Capitalizing on our unique capability of obtaining atmospheric and oceanographic data directly within the storm environment, I believe that in the coming years we will continue to make important strides towards improving our understanding and ability to predict the often complex and highly interactive hurricane system."

– Joseph Cione, Hurricane Research Scientist, PhD in Meteorology 1996, NOAA employee since 1995

These exciting possibilities present just a small picture of the fascinating work NOAA performs on a day-to-day basis. Some of these opportunities require fields of study such as:

- Meteorology & Climatology Meteorology
- Hydrology, Oceanography, Geography
- Engineering, Electronics
- Biology, Marine Biology, Chemistry & Physics
- Cartography, Geodesy, Geology
- Information Technology, Systems Engineering, Database & Information Management
- Economics, Mathematics

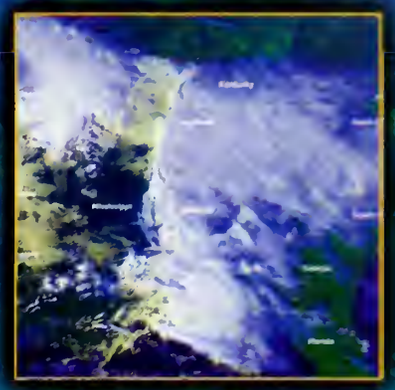
Not looking for a career with a scientific or engineering background but are still interested in supporting NOAA's mission? NOAA has positions available in areas such as:

- Finance, Accounting & Budgeting
- Public Policy, Public Administration
- Human Resources Management
- International & Public Relations Management
- Program and Management Analysis
- Office Management & Administration

YOUR BENEFITS AT NOAA

Besides having the opportunity to work with others who share your interest in environmental public service, NOAA offers highly competitive pay and benefits packages, including:

- Career-ladder promotions without competition for professional and administrative positions
- Potential to double entry level salary within 4 years
- Thrift Savings Plan (similar to a 401(k) plan) with matching contributions
- 10 paid holidays per year (in addition to two weeks paid vacation & two weeks sick leave)
- Numerous health and life insurance plans from which to choose
- Flexible workday, compressed workweek, and telework options
- Quality child care centers collocated at various facilities across the country
- Fitness centers collocated at various facilities across the country
- Ongoing opportunities for paid training, continuing education, and professional development

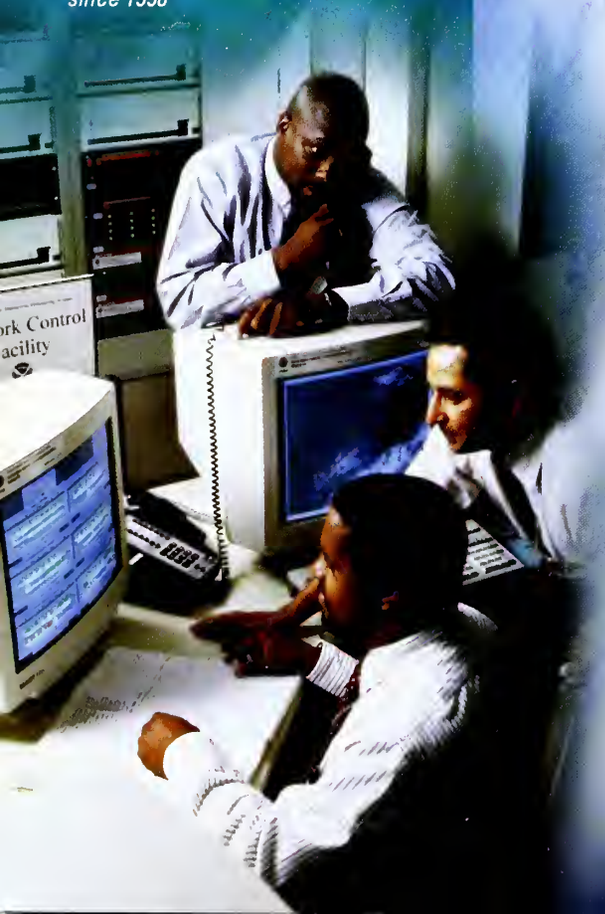


"Working to conserve and manage international fish stocks is a real challenge. I enjoy working not only with fishermen and seafood dealers, but also with NOAA scientists and policy makers around the country. If anybody can influence international fish conservation policy, NOAA Fisheries can."

~ Jill Stevenson,
MS in Fisheries Science 1997,
NOAA employee since 1997

"NOAA offers opportunity to those with an adventurous spirit. During my years, I have sailed the oceans, scaled mountains, lived in the Grand Canyon, set up instruments near the North Pole, visited different countries, and worked on many vertical towers including ones 100- and 300- m tall. All in the name of science!"

~ Catherine "Cat" Russell, MS in Climatology 1997, NOAA employee since 1998



THE NOAA EMPLOYMENT PROCESS

Applying for jobs with NOAA is easier than ever. Just go to the following website address: **http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/a9noaa.htm** to search and apply for NOAA jobs. Many of our positions are advertised through COOL (Commerce Opportunities On Line), our automated announcement and application system which allows you to create and save your resume online, making the application process quick and easy.

NOAA STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NOAA offers students a wide-range of paid and unpaid employment opportunities in numerous career fields across the country. Some student positions can lead to permanent employment. For more detailed information on student employment and internship opportunities visit our website address: **http://ohrm.doc.gov/jobs/student/info.htm**

For more information on employment opportunities in your area, please see: **http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~hrmo/hr-contacts.htm** for contact names and phone numbers.

NOAA is committed to a workplace in which all people are respected as individuals and are valued for their contributions to accomplishing NOAA's mission. Our organization strives to foster an inclusive, supportive, open, challenging and innovative work environment to enable employees to be positive, creative and reach their full potential.

NOAA is an equal opportunity employer.

"Here at NOAA, I work with some of the best, most knowledgeable scientists in the world. Working with ozone measurement and processing, I get to see first hand how human activity has disturbed the atmosphere and its many components. My work here provides valuable ozone information for both the scientific community and the public. I feel as if I am doing my part to help in the understanding of current and future climate change."

~ Brooke Walsh, Physical Science Aide, third year meteorology student at The University of Northern Colorado, NOAA employee since 2000

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